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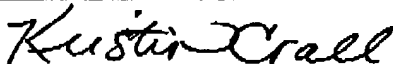
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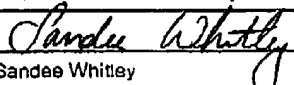
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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the additional figure is attached at the end of this paper.

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